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**Qualifying Events**
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**Project Description**
This Federal declaration allows the State to request DWG funding to assist with cleanup efforts in the three counties declared eligible for the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Public Assistance Program: Butte, Los Angeles, and Ventura. The State proposes to serve approximately 2,970 participants, providing services such as temporary disaster relief employment to address fire cleanup and reemployment services that will connect displaced workers with good jobs in high demand sectors.

*The grant approval threshold of $44,000,000 does not represent a current obligation of funds beyond the immediate award of $14,666,667.*